

Friday Update: February 27, 2004

Test Fee Increase

We have received word from Educational Testing Service that effective September 1, 2004, Praxis series test fees will increase \$5 and the School Leadership series test fees will increase \$25. Registration and service fees for both assessment series will also increase \$5. There is no fee increase for the ParaPro Assessment.

How Do I Know: Rules 46 & 47 or Rules 2002?

Since August 2003, the IPSB has been issuing licenses under BOTH Rules 46 & 47 and Rules 2002. This is similar to the transition in the 1970's when Bulletin 400 and Rules 46 & 47 licenses were being issued at the same time. What are the differences in the two licenses?

Rules 46 & 47 licenses are initially issued as a standard license that is valid for five years. The one-year Beginning Teacher Internship Program is the internship requirement. This license may be renewed with six semester hours. The holder of a Rules 46 & 47 license may choose the Professional Growth Plan (PGP) for license renewal. Once on a PGP, the license must continue to be renewed by a PGP. With a master's degree and five years of teaching experience or certification by the NBPTS, the standard license may be converted to a professional license.

Rules 2002 licenses are initially issued as an initial practitioner license that is valid for two years. The two-year Beginning Teacher Assessment Program is the internship requirement. Successful completion of the internship results in a proficient practitioner license that is valid for five years. The holder of a Rules 2002 license must complete a Professional Growth Plan (PGP) for license renewal. With a master's degree or certification by the NBPTS, the proficient practitioner license may be converted to an accomplished practitioner license.

Did you know? The professional growth plan for school services personnel is currently being developed. Until this format is finalized, school services personnel may use the format for teachers for professional growth plans. See <http://www.in.gov/psb/renewal/growth/index.html>

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